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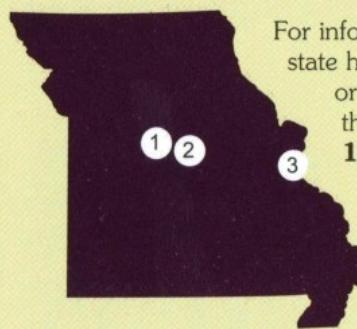
# Governors' Cemeteries

In 1967, the Missouri State Legislature enacted a statute requiring the State Park Board to "maintain every grave of a former governor within this state which is not within a perpetual care cemetery." Today, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources maintains three cemeteries, which contain the graves of four of Missouri's governors. Visit the cemeteries to learn about these people who helped shape Missouri's past.

Sappington Cemetery State Historic Site, near Arrow Rock, houses the grave of a prominent area doctor, Dr. John Sappington, along with two Missouri governors. Gov. Meredith Miles Marmaduke became Missouri's eighth governor for nine months in 1844 after the death of Gov. Thomas Reynolds. Claiborne Fox Jackson, a strong supporter of the Confederacy, was beginning his term as Missouri's 15th governor (1861) when the Civil War began and he was driven from Jefferson City.

Jewell Cemetery State Historic Site, Columbia, contains the grave of Missouri's 22nd governor (1875-1877), Charles Hardin, along with descendants of George Jewell. The most well known member of the Jewell family buried in the cemetery, William Jewell, died while establishing a college in Liberty, Mo. that bears his name.

Gov. Daniel Dunklin's Grave State Historic Site, Herculaneum, houses the grave of Missouri's fifth governor (1832-1836). The site interprets Dunklin's role as the Father of Public Schools, and provides a scenic overlook of the Mississippi River.



For information on the cemeteries or other Missouri state historic sites, call toll free at 800-334-6946 (voice) or 800-379-2419 (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf).

1. **Sappington Cemetery State Historic Site** • (660) 837-3330 • 5 miles southwest of Arrow Rock on Route AA.
2. **Jewell Cemetery State Historic Site** • (573) 449-7402 • In Columbia, off Hwy. 163 at the intersection of Carter Lane and Providence Road.
3. **Gov. Daniel Dunklin's Grave State Historic Site** • (636) 937-3697 • In Herculaneum in Jefferson County (telephone for detailed location).

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